

Andreas Borgeas Councilmember

FRESNO CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS "SEMI" TRUCK PARKING ORDINANCE

Fresno, CA (June 24, 2010) – The Fresno City Council voted 7-0 today to adopt the "Semi" Truck Parking Ordinance. The ordinance, introduced by Councilman Andreas Borgeas, was created in response to the City's ongoing "semi" truck parking problem. In addition to the obvious blight conditions created by the parking of these "semis" alongside major and residential streets, "semi" truck parking also creates numerous public safety concerns. The "semis" often obstruct the view of many motorists, increasing the possibility of a motor vehicle collision.

The newly adopted ordinance prohibits "semi" trucks, vehicles or trailers having a weight rating of 12,000 pounds or more, from parking on City streets for a period lasting longer than four hours. For the first ninety days following the ordinance's adoption, violators will receive warnings. After the grace period, violators will be issued a \$250 citation.

Councilman Borgeas stated, "I am proud my colleagues voted to adopt this much need ordinance," and added, "this ordinance is a major victory for public safety and for beautifying the Highway 99 corridor within the City limits, particularly along Golden State Boulevard."

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